

## IN RAILROAD CIRCLES.

The Engineers' Brotherhood to Be Represented

## AT TOPEKA BY A COMMITTEE

During the Session of the Legislature—Other Railroad News of Interest.

The Brotherhood of Locomotive engineers is one of the strongest railroad organizations in the state and the engineers employed on every Kansas railroad are united in looking after their own interests, particularly in a legislative way.

Within the B. of L. E. is what is known as the legislative board.

It has been customary for the legislative board to meet in Topeka during each session of the legislature and look after any railroad legislation which may be pending.

It costs about \$3,200 a year to maintain this legislative board, and at the last session of the legislature the board was represented by a special committee of two members.

This year the officers of the board have sent out a letter addressed to all the local divisions asking whether it be the sense of the members of the board that the entire board be called to Topeka during the coming session or simply a committee of two as two years ago.

In talking with a STATE JOURNAL reporter about this matter one of the members of the legislative board said there was a strong feeling that on account of the shortage of funds in the treasury of the Kansas divisions, the whole board should not be ordered out and the interests of the engineers shall be looked after by a special committee.

State Senator J. H. Reilly, the popular member of the upper house from Parsons, who is a railroad engineer, and pulls a passenger train every day over the M. & T. between Junction City and Parsons, is regarded as a valuable man on legislative matters by both the Republican and Populist members of the organization.

## SANTA FE DAMAGE SUITS.

The Company Lost \$4,000, Won \$41, and Compromised \$5.

The Santa Fe law department in Kansas, which is under the direct supervision of A. A. Hurd, employs sixty-six attorneys. Of that number, but four, those who are in Topeka, are at the general office building in Topeka, where their entire time to the business of the road. The other 62 are local attorneys at the various county seat towns where the company has interests to be looked after in the courts.

As a rule the best attorneys in any community are in Topeka, and it pays the railroads to hire good lawyers, as is shown by a summary of one year's business of the Santa Fe law department.

For the year ending June 30, 1893, there were law suits pending in the different courts in Kansas in which the Santa Fe was the defendant, involving a total of \$3,044,615.52. In the cases finally disposed of the amount involved was \$882,030.57.

Of the cases finally disposed of the Santa Fe lawyers lost 34 cases, won 141 and compromised 35.

When the cases disposed of were finally settled the total amount paid out in damages was brought down to \$21,737.33. This is a remarkably good showing for the lawyers of this department, when it is considered that almost all persons who have a grievance against a railroad company start out to get \$10,000, which they seldom get.

Surely nothing but their cheapness could induce the public to experiment with questionable baking powders at the risk of health and comfort when the facts prove that they have a perfectly pure and thoroughly reliable powder in Dr. Price's Baking Powder.

## SANTA FE FINANCIAL CONDITION.

Report on It Will Be Made Next Monday.

The Wall Street Journal of November 23 contains the following: "The report of Mr. Robert Moore on the physical condition of the Atchison will be presented to the committee on Monday next. It will show the amount of money needed by the road at once and in the future. We understand that it will be a rather favorable report in this respect and will show the company in good condition. The report has been awaited by the committee before taking any decisive steps in reorganization because on its showing depends the amount which the stock will be assessed."

"Members of the reorganization committee have held daily meetings for some time past at which there has been a general discussion of the situation as far as known. Receiver Walker has given the committee many details regarding the property and members have been educating themselves on all points regarding the company. Opinion of the committee has not yet been crystallized in any definite shape. Many suggestions have been made of an informal nature. It is impossible to say when any of these suggestions will take shape of a plan. We understand that it will be a rather certain sentiment regarding the reorganization problem."

Mr. Robert Moore is an expert civil engineer who was employed to make a careful examination into the condition of the Santa Fe road, and he has been over the entire system. He was in Topeka about two months ago.

## EDWARD WILDER KNIGHTENS

The Public on the Good Condition of the Santa Fe Is In.

The Santa Fe is prospering under the management of the receivers of the United States court who are following out the instructions of Judge Henry C. Caldwell.

To a STATE JOURNAL reporter Treasurer Edward Wilder, in speaking of the financial condition of the road, said: "If the money receipts of the road are any indication, and they are, the road is doing a good business."

"We have accomplished something during the last two months which was never done before in the history of the road. That was every employee of the company between Chicago and El Paso on the south and Denver and El Paso on the north. This was done in October and November and the result is highly satisfactory."

"It takes in round figures \$800,000 to pay each month and in paying out this

amount of money, in a regular way, the merchants and especially in the smaller towns, feel its benefit. The merchants are again feeling that they have reason to have confidence in the road and consequently business is firmer. The road feels the benefit of the restored confidence, and prompt pay days are hereafter expected as a regular thing."

## A PLEA FOR RAILROAD MEN.

O. A. Pier Wants to See One or Two on the Board of Railroad Commissioners.

Chief Clerk O. A. Pier of the Rock Island general superintendent's office, is not a candidate for any political office and therefore feels at liberty to express his views about that branch of the state government of most importance to the commercial interests of the state, the state board of railroad commissioners. To a JOURNAL reporter today Mr. Pier said: "I hope to see one or two practical railroad men on the board during this administration. The place is one of a great deal of importance to us and we would like to see men there who know something about railroading. There ought to be one man there who knows how to run a train and understands dispatching, as well as conversant with freight and passenger rates and tariffs. The time is now when railroading is just as much of a science of profession as practicing law or teaching school, and at the heads of these other departments they always have a lawyer and a professor. The railroad board more than any other body has the commercial interests of the state at stake, and who the interests of the railroads, in equity, I do not say this in a spirit of criticism of the present board, for they have been fair and courteous."

## BUSINESS ON THE WANE.

The Santa Fe Complains That Freight Business Is Getting Worse.

While business of all kinds is still very good on the Santa Fe, it is, by no means as brisk as it was a month ago. A month ago extra trains were running everywhere every day, and the extra crews were looking forward to a fortune on pay day.

Now things are a little different. Everything seemed to be on a move a month ago, but the traffic has fallen away greatly on everything.

Freight is no longer moving, even from California, and about the only thing in that line that the Santa Fe is handling is about a car of oranges a day from the south.

Stock even is not the old standby it was a month ago. The market may have something to do with this, but certain it is, that cattle from the Panhandle no longer require eight or ten extra trains a day. Corn isn't started yet and merchandise is not astonishingly brisk at present either.

If it gets much worse the freight trainman may yet begin to wonder where he is hit before the winter is over.

Passenger business, however, remains about the same.

## IT'S A GOOD IDEA.

The Proposed Road From El Paso to Kansas Meets With Approval Here.

The statement published in the JOURNAL this week regarding the building of a new railway from El Paso north to tap the Rock Island at Liberal, Kansas, was the first indication the officers of the Rock Island in Topeka had of the plan, or at least they say so. The project meets with general approval however, and it is said that it would open up an entirely new territory, and could be built comparatively cheap.

An officer said to a JOURNAL reporter today: "The proposed road would open up an entirely new field for cattle shipments and grain, too. It would be a great advantage to the future of Oklahoma and that country for a railroad on a direct line from Liberal to El Paso, as proposed, would have almost no competition. The Santa Fe runs into El Paso but it goes by the mountain line through New Mexico, so that it would have nothing to fear from the venture. It could be constructed cheaply, I think, say not to exceed \$10,000 a mile. The average road costs \$14,000 to \$15,000. I say this because it gets much worse the freight trainman may yet begin to wonder where he is hit before the winter is over."

It appears from the official records of the World's Fair that Dr. Price's Baking Powder won the highest award positively on its merits. Not only did it surpass all rivals but it frightened the more pretensions of them from competition.

## KNOWS THE PASS FRIENDS.

Mr. Simpson, of the Santa Fe, Spots Two Pass Workers.

There is nothing smoother on earth than the pass friend, says Mr. Simpson, of the Santa Fe advertising department. About two months ago two very smooth gentlemen, giving their names as J. H. Graham and H. C. Walker, visited his office and explained that they were going to issue a book descriptive of all the railroads in the west. They would print it at Chicago, they said, where they lived, and would be glad to accept a little mileage on account. They were so very smooth and dressed so very well, that Mr. Simpson, who has become acquainted with the pass shark through long experience became a little suspicious. Their credentials were so excellent and apparently so genuine however, that he allowed himself to be taken in for a few miles to each.

Soon they began to wire him over the line that they wanted mileage and wanted it quick, and Mr. Simpson began a system of forgetting to send it to them. The other day Mr. Simpson shook hands with himself as he read an account of their arrest in St. Louis for ticket scalping.

## INSPECTED THE SIGNALS.

The Railroad Commissioners Examined the New Crossing at Peabody.

General Superintendent A. J. Hitt of the Rock Island has been in Peabody several days this week, where a joint crossing with an interlocking plant has been constructed by the Rock Island and the Santa Fe. The laws of the state are

such that the plant must be inspected and approved by the state board of railroad commissioners before it can be operated. The board was there yesterday.

The crossing has been constructed on the most approved modern plan, and is designed to save the trouble of coming to a full stop and whistling at the crossing as required by law. A watch tower is constructed at the junction of the tracks and fifty yards each way on both tracks is a large signal post, and a mile further up the tracks another post. These are operated by wires under the control of the watchman in the tower. When the track is clear the incoming train knows it a mile away. When there is danger the light is made known at the same distance. The crossing and signal plant were approved.

## ROCK ISLAND NOTES.

Items of Interest Gleaned From Trainmen and Others.

W. F. Evans, assistant to M. A. Low, in the Rock Island law department, is sick in bed.

There was an astonishing decrease in traffic for November compared with the same month of last year.

Rain on the Rock Island was reported yesterday only on the eastern division, or from Herington east to the Missouri river. The weather was cloudy on the whole system.

Assistant General Freight Agent G. A. Kimball spent yesterday with relatives at his old home in Lexington, Kentucky.

A. R. Lingafelt, superintendent of telegraph, returned last night from a week's business trip to Denver.

Joseph Biggs, traveling passenger agent of the Great Northern railway, who is in Topeka, is assistant at St. Joe and Atchison, who preceded him.

T. J. Anderson has written a letter to city passenger agent H. O. Garvey requesting him to prevent loafers from standing in the big window at Sixth street and Kansas avenue and flirting with the ladies as they pass by.

It is soon expected regarding who will succeed Harry Overholt as assistant city ticket agent of the Rock Island when he assumes the position of assistant state treasurer.

The two most likely candidates are Lamont Gregg, who is next in line of promotion, and Tom King, Warren Cowley, assistant at St. Joe and Atchison, who preceded him.

Mr. Gregg may settle the contest by accepting charge of the Union Avenue ticket office of the Rock Island at Kansas City.

## NO MORE MEN.

Mr. Frey Says Eight Hundred Men Can Do the Work at the Shops.

There are now about eight hundred men at work in the Santa Fe shops, and Mr. Frey, who probably knows, says there will not be any more to speak of added to the force this winter. The force is quite sufficient to do all the work the road needs now, he says.

In good times the force of the shops is over two thousand men, but it has been so long since the force reached that that the time is difficult to remember. There is plenty of work to keep the eight hundred busy for their nine hours a day six days in the week and the eight hundred are very well satisfied with that for the present.

The Sixth street paint shop still remains closed and there are not more than fifteen at work in the main shop. Only chair car work has been allowed to enter the shop since the strike, but it is understood from city government authority the coach work will begin soon and the force will be increased to thirty.

## SHORT OF RAIN.

Santa Fe Reports Say Wheat, Pasture and Stock Want Rain.

Although Topeka is damp enough just at present and the weather is about the same all over the state from fog and mist, it is a fact that the state needs rain and lots of it.

At the Santa Fe general offices the news comes that the farmers want rain and wouldn't object to it at least two weeks of it. Winter wheat is in and struggling for help to start itself. Pasture, too, needs a little refreshing.

From many parts of the state the report comes that farmers and stockmen are hauling water for their live stock, so it seems that wheat and pasture are not alone in their suffering.

## A BIG PAYROLL.

The Rock Island Pays \$550,000 Every Month Through the Topeka Office.

The practice of the Rock Island of paying all the employees west of the Missouri river through the pay car which made monthly tours of the line, has been discontinued in the interests of economy. It was found that the pay car system, while desirable in many respects, could be dispensed with by sending all the pay checks to the Rock Island agent at each town for distribution. The pay car still runs once a month between Topeka and Horton. The monthly payment, which is made through Paymaster William Hodson, of Topeka, amounts to about \$550,000, of which about \$12,000 is in the general offices here.

## AROUND THE SHOPS.

Gossip Personal and Otherwise Heard Among the Santa Fe Shopmen.

The car shops are busy just now repairing coal cars for the winter. There are several big California fruit cars in the Santa Fe car shops just now for repairs.

Santa Fe engine No. 118 has just now gone out of the shops rebuilt. She has gone to Ottawa.

Grant Allen of the Santa Fe tin shop, has gone to La Junta, where he has work in the shops.

Joe Bovey, of the Santa Fe shops, is going to California to live, where he has work.

Engineer James Thomas and Conductor R. H. Stockton, both of the Santa Fe, have gone to Denver for a ten days' visit.

Special car No. 315 is in the Santa Fe paint shops for repairs and repainting.

Adams Bros., of Topeka, to Print All the Santa Fe Envelopes.

The Santa Fe stationery department has just closed a contract with Adams Bros., the Topeka job printers, to print all the envelopes used on the Santa Fe system during the coming year.

The Santa Fe furnishes all the material and the printers simply do the press work, which keeps one job press busy the year round, as about 500,000 envelopes are used every month. Adams Bros. bid one cent a thousand less than the next lowest bidder, Geo. W. Crane. The contract was let for 27 cents a

thousand and amounts to something over \$2,000 a year. Adams Bros. bought a new job press to handle the work.

## AMONG THE DESKS.

A Few Items of Interest Found About the Santa Fe Freight Depots.

Local freight business is pretty good on the Santa Fe just now, and the clerks at the freight house are beginning to find out how it feels to work overtime, and hard at that.

Chief Clerk Webb of the Santa Fe superintendent's office has returned from his trip to Mexico and says he enjoyed it.

Herbert Fairchild of the Santa Fe superintendent's office has been spending Thanksgiving at Overbrook.

Will Crilly, who has been a clerk in the Santa Fe freight depot for a long time, will leave this week for Raton, where he becomes chief clerk to the agent.

Famous everywhere and flawless always is the reputation of Dr. Price's Baking Powder. It rules supreme.

## STILL FLOURISHING.

The Y. M. C. A. Has 350 Members and Is Still Growing.

The local Santa Fe Y. M. C. A. is still flourishing and has now over 350 members, and the number is still slowly increasing. The noon bible meetings are being kept up and the Sunday afternoon gospel meetings are also a reality. The one tomorrow afternoon at 4 o'clock will be addressed by Rev. T. C. Alderson.

On Monday night the new choir, of which Louis Franz is director, will meet for rehearsal. During the past month twenty new members of the Y. M. C. A. have been visited by Secretary Jones.

## AN EXHIBITION CAR.

Oklahoma Wants to Send an Exhibition Car of Products East.

Walter Wilson, editor of the Oklahoma Farmer of Oklahoma City, will be in Topeka soon to ask the Santa Fe to help him prepare a car of Oklahoma products to ship east for exhibition. He is interested in booming Oklahoma as every citizen of Oklahoma is and he wants the Santa Fe to help him do it. He will ask the road to furnish the car at a bargain as it too is interested in the development of the new country, he thinks. The car will travel east and north.

## TO BE RESTORED.

After December 11th the \$9.50 Rate to Chicago Will Be Annulled.

It seems now that the cut passenger rate to Chicago from Missouri river points of \$9.50 for the round trip will be disposed of early in December and the rate restored to tariff, which is \$3 more. It has been a very convenient rate as it has been used all over the west as a cut rate from all points. As soon as the legal notification can be made the rate will be restored to \$12.50. This means about December 11th.

## ATTRACTING ATTENTION.

Mr. Frost's Grain and Fruit Exhibit at New York City.

The Santa Fe's exhibit of fruit and grain from Kansas, Oklahoma, New Mexico and Colorado at the Food and Industrial exposition at New York city is attracting a good deal of attention and will probably be left there for a big Catholic fair that will be held in the same building next week. This is Mr. Frost's latest particular pride.

## THE \$2 SWITCHING CHARGE.

The Santa Fe is the only western road so far that has taken off the \$2 switching charge on cattle shipped into the Chicago yards. This is the charge that Judge Groscup declared illegal. The Santa Fe, it is understood, has not only taken off the charge on live stock, but on all other freight as well.

Parity, strength, wholesomeness, these are the properties which gained for Dr. Price's Baking Powder the highest award at the World's Columbian Fair and highest honors and gold medal at the California Midwinter Fair.

## DON'T BURN THE LEAVES.

On the Pavements or the Street Commissioners May Have You Arrested.

The street commissioner has been having a great deal of trouble with people who persist in burning leaves or rubbish on the asphalt and cedar block pavement.

An ordinance forbidding the burning of leaves on the two kinds of pavements has long been among the city laws but it has been very loosely enforced. There is no law against the burning of leaves or trash on the brick or stone pavements but the street commissioner says he would rather haul the leaves off if they are raked into the gutters with the attendant risk of having a disastrous fire started. The smoke from burning leaves and trash is a nuisance in a town as large as Topeka, and it is quite likely an ordinance will soon be adopted prohibiting it altogether.

## STREET FORCE REDUCED.

The Pay Roll for Last Month Only \$1,200.

The city street force has been greatly reduced and Street Commissioner Naylor says the pay roll for the past month will only be \$1,200, which is about \$700 less than usual.

Two foremen, D. McNair and P. Smith with their gangs have been laid off. They were excavating for sidewalks and as the work under the Ritchie contract has been completed they have nothing more to do. There were 11 men with five teams discharged.

Now there is but one gang working, in charge of Foreman George Goddard, made up of nine men and four teams. In addition to this force there are two men building stone crossings, two repairing sidewalks and two flushing sewers.

## BEAUTY.

And How to Get It, the Subject of Mrs. Yale's Lecture.

Mrs. Yale, the celebrated complexion specialist, will deliver a lecture Monday, December 3, at the Grand Opera house the subject of beauty of complexion, bodily health and perfection of form. She will appear in athletic costume. Her lecture will be an interesting one. Mrs. Yale is forty-two years of age, but does not look a day over eighteen. She is a shining example of the perfection of her system.

Harry Overholt, James Moore, H. V. Hinkley, Lindsay Pegues and Clayton Grout are the soloists in the Kindergarten Minstrels.

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In her Physical Culture act Mme. Yale will wear a costume especially designed for her by Worth to show off to advantage the outlines of her flawless figure and also to enable her to give the necessary exercises for making perfect the female form. Mme. Yale is the creator of Beauty Culture as a professional branch of science. Every lady should hear her, as she is the greatest authority living on Beauty.

From the Detroit Free Press, October 30, 1894:  
Mme. Yale, the famous lecturer and complexionist, addressed a large audience of ladies yesterday in the Detroit opera house, illustrating her lecture with her own beauty, which stood the test of the strong electrical lights without revealing a single blemish. There is no extravagance in saying that Mme. Yale is one of the most beautiful women in the world, not less than any woman who has ever lived. Like her, Mme. Yale has produced her own beauty and she claims that she has done any other woman can do. She does not hesitate to give her age at 42, while her lovely skin, neck and face would indicate a beauty between 20 and 30. Her curling locks of golden hair, her brilliant eyes with their long lashes, called forth expressions of admiration from the audience. The closing part of the occasion was devoted to a physical culture drill in which the grace and flexibility of Mme. Yale's figure formed a series of beautiful pictures. The fair lecturer held her audience spell-bound during three hours by her racy conversational address.

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